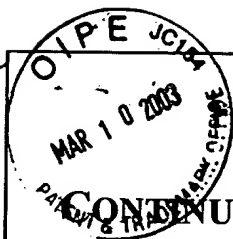


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Washington, D.C. 20231

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or  
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

Application Number	09/725,040
Confirmation Number	8611
Filing Date	November 29, 2000
First Named Inventor	Toshikatsu FURUNAGA
Group Art Unit	1711
Examiner Name	U. Rajguru
Matter Number	Q62004
Title	SIZING AGENT AND RECORDING PAPER COMPRISING SIZING AGENT

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

## 1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Petition for Extension of Time
- v. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. MISCELLANEOUS

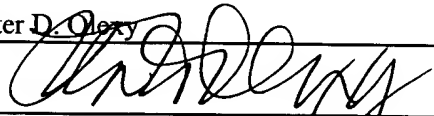
- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a  
period of \_\_\_\_\_ months
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. FEES

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$750.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all  
required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any  
overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

## SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY

Name Peter D. Olexy Registration No. 24,513

Signature  Date March 10, 2003



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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
GROUP 1711  
PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re application of

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Sir:

In combination with the RCE stopped filed simultaneously herewith, please consider the following Applicants response to the outstanding rejection of December 10, 2002.

Please cancel all pending claims 1-19, it being noted that claims 17-19 are withdrawn from consideration, and please add the following new claims beginning with claim 20:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-19 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add the following new claims:

20. (New) A method for sizing a paper with a sizing agent which comprises coating or impregnating a raw paper with a sizing agent comprising a water-soluble polysaccharide and a cationic polymer.

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